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2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 24

April 8, 2015 - Introduced by Senators L. TAYLOR, VINEHOUT, LASSA and HARRIS DODD, cosponsored by Representatives HEBL, GOYKE, ZAMARRIPA, MILROY, BERCEAU, SINICKI and C. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** declaring April to be Health and Wellness Month.

2 Whereas, April is Health and Wellness Month within the Milwaukee Public
3 Schools, where health education and physical activity are an important part of the
4 curriculum; and

5 Whereas, the schools also encourage collaboration with farms and local food
6 producers so children learn where their food comes from, have access to fresh food,
7 and support local growers; and

8 Whereas, access to healthy food resources can be affected by socioeconomic
9 status; and

10 Whereas, heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes are leading causes of death
11 for African Americans in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease
12 Control and Prevention; and

13 Whereas, the CDC has reported on health disparities for African Americans in
14 premature death from stroke and coronary heart disease, infant mortality, diabetes
15 prevalence, and obesity prevalence; and

Whereas, health disparities by socioeconomic status exist and persist in the City of Milwaukee; and

Whereas, innovative and collaborative efforts with communities can be used to promote health and wellness across the state; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That April is declared Health and Wellness Month in Wisconsin.

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